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## **Webinar: Hottest Housing Counseling Resources:**

August 15, 2013 - Webinar: Hottest Housing Counseling Resources. Discover the latest Office of Housing Counseling resources, which will be demonstrated in a live presentation. Sponsored by HUD's Office of Housing Counseling. Learn how navigate the newest housing counseling web-based resources and discover practical, useful information to enhance your work. This is an interactive presentation where your questions on housing counseling resources can be discussed and suggestions and recommendations for improving available resources are encouraged. Registration required, no fee. Register on-line at: <a href="https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/935042809">https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/935042809</a>

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# CONNECTICUT LANDLORDS ORDERED TO PAY MORE THAN \$100K FOR DISCRIMINATING AGAINST PROSPECTIVE TENANTS:

Deirdre M. Daly, Acting United States Attorney for the District of Connecticut, and Bryan Greene, Acting Assistant Secretary of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity for the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, today announced that a federal judge in New Haven has found the owners of a property in Windsor Locks, Conn., liable for violating the Fair Housing Act by discriminating against prospective tenants based on their race. Read the entire press release at:

http://www.justice.gov/usao/ct/Press2013/20130812.html

Housing Counselors can visit the Department of Justice Briefing room for more News about Fair Housing and Civil Rights: <a href="http://www.justice.gov/briefing-room.html">http://www.justice.gov/briefing-room.html</a>

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## Webinar: Helping Your Clients Find Location Affordability:

August 15, 2013 - Webinar: Helping Your Clients Find Location Affordability. Sponsored by HUD's Housing and Transportation Affordability Initiative. Affordable housing isn't just about what a household pays in rent or for their mortgage. It's also about where they live and how that impacts their transportation costs. Counselors play a critical role

in educating clients about the issues they need to consider when looking for a place to live. You know that housing costs are the highest budget item for most low- to moderate-income families; what you may not know is that transportation costs are a close second. This means transportation costs are rarely considered when a family is deciding where to live; yet, these costs play a crucial role in the affordability of a home. The Location Affordability Index (LAI) and My Transportation Cost Calculator (MTCC) provide counselors and their clients the information they need to make informed decisions about where to live by providing key data on combined housing and transportation costs in their neighborhoods. This Webinar will explain how combined housing and transportation costs impact your clients and how you can use HUD's new tools to help your clients find affordable housing. The webinar will demonstrate the LAI and MTCC and highlight other resources available on the Location Affordability Portal and feature practitioners using similar tools in their community. For more information, please contact Anna Cruz at (301) 828-1521 or email at: acruz@manhattanstrategy.com

Register online today at:

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http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc\_listserv they can sign up for the listserv there; or 2: forward them this email; or 3: Visit: http://www.usa.gov and subscribe at:

http://apps.gsa.gov/FirstGovCommonSubscriptionService.php To unsubscribe - go to: http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/subscribe/mailinglist and click on "Housing Counseling" and follow the unsubscribe instructions on that page.

#### Some Helpful Links for Housing Counselors:

HUD Housing Counseling: www.hud.gov/housingcounseling

"The Bridge" is the HUD Office of Housing Counseling Newsletter; read archived issues on-line at:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc\_bridge

Housing Counseling Listserv archive:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/housing/sfh/hcc/ohc\_msg

Events & Training Calendar:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?mode=disppage&id=OHC\_TRAINING

Contracting Opportunities:

http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program\_offices/cpo

Career Opportunities: <a href="http://www.usajobs.gov">http://www.usajobs.gov</a>

**Grant Opportunities:** 

http://portal.hud.gov/portal/page/portal/HUD/program\_offices/administration/grants/fundsavail

Presidentially Declared Disaster Areas:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program\_offices/housing/sfh/nsc/disaster

Foreclosure Assistance:

http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/i\_want\_to/talk\_to\_a\_housing\_counselor

Making Home Affordable: http://www.makinghomeaffordable.gov/pages/default.aspx

Freddie Mac Housing Professionals Resource

Center: <a href="http://www.freddiemac.com/corporate/housingpros/">http://www.freddiemac.com/corporate/housingpros/</a>

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